July 20, 2021

Dear Prospective Quoter:

SUBJECT: Request for Quotations for Legal Services in the Procurement of Real Estate in Osaka.

The United States Consulate General Osaka-Kobe invites you to submit a quotation for attorney services for a real estate purchase.

Your proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Quotation Enclosed" to Anthony Read/Contracting Officer at 11-5 Nishitenma 2-Chome, Kita-ku, Osaka, 530-8543 **on or before 3:00 pm on Friday, August 6, 2021.**

In order for a quotation to be considered, you must also complete and submit the following:

- 1. SF-18
- 2. Section A
- 3. Additional information as required in Section I.

Direct any questions regarding this request for quotations to Wataru Shimabukuro at shimabukurow@state.gov on or before 3:00 pm on Tuesday, Aug 3, 2021.

Sincerely,

Anthony Read

Contracting Officer

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A. PRICES

A.1. Taxes

Note: The U.S. Consulate Osaka-Kobe is exempt from Japanese consumption taxes; therefore, such taxes shall not be included in the price nor charged on invoices. After receipt of the Contractor's invoice, the U.S. Government will provide the Contractor with a signed Certificate of Tax Exemption Purchase for Foreign Establishments. (For non-Designated Stores, please visit the following link for registration: https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/ms/po/page22_003420.html).

A.2. Contract Type

The Contractor shall perform all work required in Section B. This is a labor-hour purchase order. The hourly rates stated in this purchase order shall include all direct and indirect costs, insurance, overhead, general and administrative expense, and profit.

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B. STATEMENT OF WORK

1. INTRODUCTION

The following services are required by the United States Government (USG) in relation to the acquisition in freehold of real property in Osaka, Japan. Services required include: (1) guidance in the acquisition process relating to the applicable laws in Osaka, Japan; (2) document drafting and revising; (3) assistance in negotiations; and (4) property title searches and certifications.

2. SCOPE DESCRIPTION

- 2.1. Deliver a detailed written explanation of the legal and administrative process for transferring real property (including any requirements that the USG notify local/regional/municipal governments of the transfer, and any additional host approvals or certifications that may be required by the local government, before, during and after the transfer); provide an estimate of how long it typically takes from contract signing to title transfer and registration; and identify actions mandatory under law as distinguished from actions done as matter of local custom or practice.
- 2.2. Define the legal interests in real property that can be acquired by the USG under national and local laws, specifically confirm that the USG has the right to a fee simple acquisition of the property in question.
- 2.3. Taking rights under international law, including the Vienna Convention on Consular and Diplomatic Relations, and local law into account, advise whether the USG is entitled to any exemption, refund, reimbursement or other privilege regarding payment of any taxes, fees, costs, duties or charges. Assist the USG in applying for any waivers of the same as well as for registration, transfer, or sales taxes or charges to which the USG is entitled or eligible under the Vienna Convention or local law.
- 2.4. Review USG-supplied documents. Provide advice and comment on their acceptability under local law and local practice. Propose revisions as needed to make them comply with local laws and practices. This may include a review a non-binding letter of intent, along with additional documents supplied by the USG.
- 2.5. Review a draft Conditional Purchase Agreement and recommend revisions, if necessary, to conform to local law and protect the United States Government's interests. Should revisions be required, the attorney reviewing the draft Conditional Purchase Agreement should prepare a revised version of the agreement, together with a written explanation of the basis for making the revisions.
- 2.6. If requested, draft a purchase contract or other conveyance vehicle that fully protects USG interests and forward the same to the USG for review.
- 2.7. Deliver a written opinion on title based on a title search of properties identified by the USG. Confirm that plot plans or surveys attached to the title deeds

reflect accurately the description in the title deeds. Advise on whether the properties are free and clear of any encumbrances or other defects in title, whether or not registered, or identify in full any discovered encumbrances or defects in title of any kind. As necessary, the attorney shall retrieve requested title/deed/survey document(s) from the appropriate local authority in order to conduct and provide a written property title report. If a survey document does not exist that clearly defines the property boundaries, the attorney shall retain a competent technical specialist to carry out a boundary survey to assist with the written title report. The cost of retaining additional professional assistance, if necessary, shall be a reimbursable expense provided that the cost is approved in advance by the USG.

- 2.8. Review any applicable condominium or homeowner regulations for the property to be acquired and identify any restrictions or limitations to the interest of the USG in buying, owning, using, operating, modifying, and selling any property.
- Retain and fully compensate a Notary Public at the market rate (subject to the USG's approval) for those services and coordinate settlement of the transaction with the Notary Public consistent with local laws and customary real estate practices.
- 2.10. Identify costs paid by each party in a typical sale of real estate. Identify which costs are usually paid by each party under law, and which are negotiable and paid by local custom or practice. Suggest commonly used terms or cost sharing.
- 2.11. Identify and eliminate any potential charges to the USG for Value Added Tax in connection with the transfer and registration of title.
- 2.12. Provide advice and details on whether currency laws or other regulations restrict the ability of the USG to pay or remit funds within country or overseas in any currency.
- 2.13. As appropriate, prepare and register the documents required for the transfer and registration of title in favor of the USG.
- 2.14. Provide prompt written legal advice and opinions on specific questions presented by the USG from time to time during the purchase, title preparation, registration, closing and post-closing process.
- 2.15. Retain and fully compensate a qualified, certified translator to translate into English any of the transaction documents, including contracts, surveys, approvals, and registration materials, that are not originally drafted in English.
- 2.16. As necessary, and at the USG's request, retain any technical specialists or other specialized attorneys required to complete the USG's acquisition of real property. The cost of retaining additional professional assistance, if necessary, shall be a reimbursable expense provided that the cost is approved in advance by the USG.

- 2.17. Provide any and all other services that are not specifically noted above but are needed by the USG to contract for, receive approval of, and settle any proposed
- 2.18. Perform and submit a Pre-purchase Certification, as outlined in Volume 15 of the U.S. Foreign Affairs Manual 432.4 (copy attached). Including, but is not limited to:
- a. The description of the property in the purchase contract corresponds exactly with the description in valid deeds and prior land surveys in the offices where conveyances, survey plats, and other instruments that affect title are officially recorded; and
- b. The field verification of the existing title records reveals that:

transaction.

- i. No discrepancies exist in measurement of boundaries or land areas; or
- ii. There are conditions that might adversely affect the interests of the United States that do not appear in the abstract of title (list of such conditions as they exist); or
- iii. A comparison of the field survey and title search reveals certain exceptions (to be listed if these exist) to a clear and unencumbered title that do not appear in the present title record but the Vendor, at its expense, has taken or is taking all steps necessary to clear any noted exceptions, and the proposed legal instrument of conveyance, as drawn by the local land title expert, will, under local law and custom, serve as a document of correction to the erroneous title record; and
- c. There are no mortgages, liens, charges, incidents of tenure, encroachments, reserved strips of land blocking access to public thoroughfares, street widening or public improvement projects proposed or pending, or any other encumbrances or defects of any kind recognized by the laws of the country as affecting the title, and
- d. The vendor has a perfect, exclusive, and unencumbered title to the property and full power to convey it to the United States of America.

NOTE: If the attorney does not deem himself/herself capable of verifying existing land surveys in order to deliver the Pre-Purchase Certification, he/she shall be responsible for retaining and compensating whatever additional professional assistance is needed for him/her to deliver that Certification. The cost of retaining additional professional assistance, if necessary, shall be included in the attorney's bid.

- 2.19. Prepare and submit a Post-purchase Certification, as outlined in Volume 15 of the U.S. Foreign Affairs Manual 432.5 (copy attached). Including, but is not limited to:
- a. The transfer and title deed(s) are in the form approved and uniformly used in the country;

- b. The deed has been filed, recorded, and registered in accordance with local law and that the United States of America is now the legal owner of record; and c. The attorney has taken all steps required to ensure a perfect, unencumbered
- title is registered on behalf of the USG.
- 2.20. Provide prompt written legal advice and opinions on specific questions presented by the USG from time to time during the purchase, title preparation, registration, closing and post-closing process.
- 2.21. Participate in related meetings and/or negotiations, as needed.

3. DELIVERABLE SCHEDULE

- 2.1-2.3 Within 5 business days following notice to proceed.
- 2.4-2.6 Within 5 business days from directed.
- 2.7-2.18 Within 15 business days from directed.
- 2.19 7 days following final registration of all documents.
- 2.20-2.21 As requested.

4. SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

The following documents must be submitted to the Contracting Officer in order to be considered for this opportunity. The documents include:

- a. Pricing Proposal and Quote;
- b. Brochure or other documentation of the firm indicating its experience and expertise in real estate practices;
- c. Resumes for each attorney who will be assigned to the work; and
- d. A recent sampling of other completed housing transactions.

C. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

52.252 2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. In addition, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at: Acquisition.gov this address is subject to change.

If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the location indicated above, use the Department of State Acquisition website at e-CFR to see the links to the FAR. You may also use an Internet "search engine" (for example, Google, Yahoo or Excite) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR.

CLAUSE TITLE AND DATE

52.246 6 INSPECTION—TIME AND MATERIAL AND LABOR HOUR (MAY 2001)

D. DELIVERIES AND PERFORMANCE

52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

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CLAUSE TITLE AND DATE

52.242 15 STOP WORK ORDER (AUG 1989)

E. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

E.1. Contracting Officer's Representative

652.242-70 CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE (COR) (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Contracting Officer may designate in writing one or more Government employees, by name or position title, to take action for the Contracting Officer under this contract. Each designee shall be identified as a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). Such designation(s) shall specify the scope and limitations of the authority so delegated; provided, that the designee shall not change the terms or conditions of the contract, unless the COR is a warranted Contracting Officer and this authority is delegated in the designation.
- (b) The COR for this contract is the U.S. Consulate General Osaka-Kobe Management Officer.

E.2 Invoicing and Paying Instructions

- a. The Contractor shall submit his invoice in the original and three copies to the designated billing address indicated in this contract. The COR will determine if the invoice is complete and proper as submitted. The COR also will determine if billed services have been satisfactorily performed. If the amount billed is incorrect, the COR will, within seven days, request the Contractor to submit a revised invoice.
- b. The Contractor shall specifically identify the last invoice as "Final Invoice." The final invoice shall include the remaining payments due under the basic contract and any and all modifications issued. The final invoice should also attach a "Contractor's Release Certificate". The Contractor should keep one copy of the certificate for its files and include the others with each copy of the final invoice. If the Contractor has any questions regarding payment status, he shall contact the COR.
- c. The Contractor shall submit invoices electronically to Tokyolnvoices@state.gov.

F. SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

F.1 Permits

Without additional cost to the Government, the Contractor shall obtain all permits, licenses, and appointments required for the prosecution of work under this contract.

F.2 Release of Information

All information furnished to the Contractor and developed by the Contractor in connection with this transaction shall be considered privileged. The Contractor shall make no public announcements, including news or press releases about this contract.

G. CLAUSES

- The following clauses apply for all services provided under this contract.
- 52.252-3 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

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52.202-1	DEFINITIONS (JUN 2020)						
52.204-10	REPORTING EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION AND FIRST-TIER SUBCONTRACT AWARDS (JUN 2020)						
52.204-18 2020)	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE (JUN						
52.204-19	INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (DEC 2014)						
52.209-6 WITH	PROTECTING THE GOVERNMENT'S INTEREST WHEN SUBCONTRACTING						
	CONTRACTORS DEBARRED, SUSPENDED, OR PROPOSED FOR RMENT (JUN 2020)						
52.213-4	TERMS AND CONDITIONS-SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITIONS (OTHER THAN COMMERCIAL ITEMS) (FEB 2021)						
52.222-19 2018)	CHILD LABOR - COOPERATION WITH AUTHORITIES AND REMEDIES (JAN						
52.222-50	COMBATTING TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS (OCT 2020)						
52.223-18	ENFORCING CONTRACTOR POLICIES TO BAN TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING (JUN 2020)						
52.225-13	RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN FOREIGN PURCHASES (FEB 2021)						
52.225-14 CONTRACT (INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN ENGLISH VERSION AND TRANSLATION OF (FEB 2000)						

52.227-17	RIGHTS IN DATA - SPECIAL WORKS (DEC 2007)
52.228-4 (APPLICABLE	WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND WAR - HAZARDS INSURANCE TO HOST COUNTRY CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES ONLY)
52.232-7 CONTRACTS	PAYMENTS UNDER TIME-AND-MATERIALS AND LABOR-HOUR (AUG 2012)
52.232-25	PROMPT PAYMENT (JUL 2013)
52.232-32	PERFORMANCE-BASED PAYMENTS (APR 2012)
52.232-33 MANAGEMEN	PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER - SYSTEM FOR AWARD (OCT 2018)
52.233-1	DISPUTES (MAY 2014) Alternate I (DEC 1991)
52.243-3	CHANGES - TIME-AND-MATERIALS OR LABOR-HOURS (SEPT 2000)
52.244-6	SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS (NOV 2020)
52.245-1	GOVERNMENT PROPERTY (JAN 2017)
52.246-26	REPORTING NONCONFORMING ITEMS (JUN 2020)
52.249-4 (SHORT FOR	TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT (SERVICES) M) (APR 1984)
52.249-6	TERMINATION (COST REIMBURSEMENT) (MAY 2004)

52.249-14 EXCUSABLE DELAYS (APR 1984)

I. FAR CLAUSES INCORPORATED IN FULL TEXT

52.204-25 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (AUG 2020)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

Covered foreign country means The People's Republic of China.

Covered telecommunications equipment or services means-

- (1) Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (2) For the purpose of public safety, security of Government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
- (3) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or
- (4) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

Critical technology means-

- (1) Defense articles or defense services included on the United States Munitions List set forth in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations under subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations;
- (2) Items included on the Commerce Control List set forth in Supplement No. 1 to part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations under subchapter C of chapter VII of title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, and controlled-
- (i) Pursuant to multilateral regimes, including for reasons relating to national security, chemical and biological weapons proliferation, nuclear nonproliferation, or missile technology; or
 - (ii) For reasons relating to regional stability or surreptitious listening;

- (3) Specially designed and prepared nuclear equipment, parts and components, materials, software, and technology covered by part 810 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to assistance to foreign atomic energy activities);
- (4) Nuclear facilities, equipment, and material covered by part 110 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (relating to export and import of nuclear equipment and material);
- (5) Select agents and toxins covered by part 331 of title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, part 121 of title 9 of such Code, or part 73 of title 42 of such Code; or
- (6) Emerging and foundational technologies controlled pursuant to section 1758 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (50 U.S.C. 4817).

Substantial or essential component means any component necessary for the proper function or performance of a piece of equipment, system, or service.

- (b) Prohibition. Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. The Contractor is prohibited from providing to the Government any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless an exception at paragraph (c) of this clause applies or the covered telecommunication equipment or services are covered by a waiver described in Federal Acquisition Regulation 4.2104.
 - (c) Exceptions. This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—
- (1) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (2) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
 - (d) Reporting requirement.

- (1) In the event the Contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the Contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the Contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the Contracting Officer, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information; in the case of the Department of Defense, the Contractor shall report to the website at https://dibnet.dod.mil. For indefinite delivery contracts, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer for the indefinite delivery contract and the Contracting Officer(s) for any affected order or, in the case of the Department of Defense, identify both the indefinite delivery contract and any affected orders in the report provided at https://dibnet.dod.mil.
- (2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause
- (i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: the contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
- (ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d) (2)(i) of this clause: any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the Contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.
- (e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments, including subcontracts for the acquisition of commercial items.

 (End of clause)
- II. CLAUSES FROM DEPARTMENT OF STATE ACQUISITION REGULATION (DOSAR) CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION (JULY 2008)

Contract performance may require contractor personnel to attend meetings with government personnel and the public, work within government offices, and/or utilize government email.

Contractor personnel must take the following actions to identify themselves as non-federal employees:

- 1) Use an e-mail signature block that shows name, the office being supported and company affiliation (e.g. "John Smith, Office of Human Resources, ACME Corporation Support Contractor");
- 2) Clearly identify themselves and their contractor affiliation in meetings;
- 3) Identify their contractor affiliation in Departmental e-mail and phone listings whenever contractor personnel are included in those listings; and
- 4) Contractor personnel may not utilize Department of State logos or indicia on business cards. (End of clause)

652.229-71 PERSONAL PROPERTY DISPOSITION AT POSTS ABROAD (AUG 1999)

Regulations at 22 CFR Part 136 require that U.S. Government employees and their families do not profit personally from sales or other transactions with persons who are not themselves entitled to exemption from import restrictions, duties, or taxes. Should the Contractor experience importation or tax privileges in a foreign country because of its contractual relationship to the United States Government, the Contractor shall observe the requirements of 22 CFR Part 136 and all policies, rules, and procedures issued by the chief of mission in that foreign country. (End of clause)

652.242-73 AUTHORIZATION AND PERFORMANCE (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Contractor warrants the following:
- (1) That is has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed;
- (2) That is has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract: and.
- (3) That it shall comply fully with all laws, decrees, labor standards, and regulations of said country or countries during the performance of this contract.
- (b) If the party actually performing the work will be a subcontractor or joint venture partner, then such subcontractor or joint venture partner agrees to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this clause.

(End of clause)

652.243-70 NOTICES (AUG 1999)

Any notice or request relating to this contract given by either party to the other shall be in writing. Said notice or request shall be mailed or delivered by hand to the other party at the address provided in the schedule of the contract. All modifications to the contract must be made in writing by the Contracting Officer. (End of clause)

H. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

The following documents are attached and made a part of this contract:

EXHIBIT A (RESERVED) - OBO'S PRELIMINARY DRAFT OF THE SALES AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT B (RESERVED) - OBO'S PRELIMINARY BID PACKAGE FOR THE SALE OF PROPERTY

EXHIBIT C - FOREIGN AFFAIRS MANUAL - FAM 432.4 PRE-PURCHASE CERTIFICATION

EXHIBIT D - FOREIGN AFFAIRS MANUAL - FAM 432.5 POST-PURCHASE CERTIFICATION

SECTION I - INSTRUCTION ON HOW TO SUBMIT A QUOTATION

I.1 SUBMISSION OF QUOTATIONS

This solicitation is for the performance of the services described in Section B.

Summary of Instructions

Each quotation must consist of the following physically separate volumes:

Volume Title # of Copies

- 1 Executed Standard Form 18 and Completed Section A 1
- 2 Management Information
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Submit the complete quotation to the address on SF-18.

The quoter shall state any deviations, exceptions, or conditional assumptions taken regarding this solicitation and explain/justify them in the appropriate volume of the offer.

- 1. Volume 1 shall contain complete pricing schedules as identified in Section A, including an hourly rate of professional hours, travel expenses, overhead, G&A, profit, subcontractor costs, reproduction costs and all other costs related to the services required to perform the work described in Section B of this request for quotations.
- 2. Volume 2 shall include information demonstrating the quoter's ability to perform including:

Instructions to Offeror. Each offer must consist of the following:

- 1. List of clients over the past ___five__ years, demonstrating prior experience with relevant past performance information and references (provide dates of contracts, places of performance, value of contracts, contact names, telephone and fax numbers and email addresses). If the offeror has not performed comparable services in _Japan_ then the offeror shall provide its international experience. Offerors are advised that the past performance information requested above may be discussed with the client's contact person. In addition, the client's contact person may be asked to comment on the offeror's:
 - Quality of services provided under the contract;
 - Compliance with contract terms and conditions;
 - Effectiveness of management;
 - Willingness to cooperate with and assist the customer in routine matters, and when confronted by unexpected difficulties; and
 - Business integrity / business conduct.

The Government will use past performance information primarily to assess an offeror's capability to meet the solicitation performance requirements, including the relevance and successful performance of the offeror's work experience. The Government may also use this data to evaluate the credibility of the offeror's

proposal. In addition, the Contracting Officer may use past performance information in making a determination of responsibility.

- 2. Evidence that the offeror/quoter can provide the necessary personnel, equipment, and financial resources needed to perform the work.
- 3. The offeror shall address its plan to obtain all licenses and permits required by local law (see DOSAR 652.242-73 in Section 2). If offeror already possesses the locally required licenses and permits, a copy shall be provided.
- 4. The offeror's strategic plan for legal services and representation to purchase real estate services to include but not limited to:
- (a) A work plan taking into account all work elements in Section 1, Performance Work Statement.
- (b) Identify types and quantities of equipment, supplies and materials required for performance of services under this contract. Identify if the offeror already possesses the listed items and their condition for suitability and if not already possessed or inadequate for use how and when the items will be obtained;
- (c) Plan of ensuring quality of services including but not limited to contract administration and oversight; and
- (d) (1) If insurance is required by the solicitation, a copy of the Certificate of Insurance(s), or (2) a statement that the Contractor will get the required insurance, and the name of the insurance provider to be used.
- I.2 Submit the complete quotation to the address indicated on the solicitation cover page, if mailed; or the address set forth below, if hand-delivered.

U.S. Consulate General Osaka-Kobe c/o Management Officer 11-5 Nishitenma 2-Chome Kita-ku, Osaka 530-8543

Quotations submitted after the due date and time indicated on the SF-18 cover sheet may not be considered.

I.3 52.252 1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. In addition, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at: Acquisition.gov this address is subject to change.

If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the location indicated above, use the Department of State Acquisition website at e-CFR to see the links to the FAR. You may also use an Internet "search engine" (for example, Google, Yahoo or Excite) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR.

PROVISION TITLE AND DATE

- 52.204-7 SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (OCT 2018)
- 52.204-16 COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE REPORTING (AUG 2020)
- 52.214-34 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (APR 1991)
- 52.215-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMPETITIVE ACQUISITION (IAN 2017)

I-3 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY FULL TEXT

The following Federal Acquisition Regulation provisions are incorporated by full text:

52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a Labor-Hour purchase order resulting from this solicitation. (End of provision)

52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEPT 2006)

- (a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the General Accounting Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from the Contracting Officer at the U.S. Consulate General Osaka-Kobe.
- (b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO. (End of provision)

I-4 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

If asked by the Contracting Officer, the offeror shall provide a current statement of its financial condition, certified by a third party, that includes:

Income (profit-loss) Statement that shows profitability for the past <u>5 years</u>;

Balance Sheet that shows the assets owned and the claims against those assets, or what a firm owns and what it owes; and

Cash Flow Statement that shows the firm's sources and uses of cash during the most recent accounting period. This will help the Government assess a firm's ability to pay its obligations.

The Government will use this information to determine the offeror's financial responsibility and ability to perform under the contract. Failure of an offeror to comply with a request for this information may cause the Government to determine the offeror to be non-responsible.

J. EVALUATION CRITERIA

J.1 Award will be made to the lowest priced, acceptable, responsible quoter. The Government reserves the right to reject quotations that are unreasonably low or high in price.

The lowest price will be determined by evaluating the hourly rate given in Section A of this solicitation. Acceptability will be determined by assessing the offeror's compliance with the terms of the RFQ. Responsibility will be determined by analyzing whether the apparent successful quoter complies with the requirements of FAR 9.1, including:

- ability to comply with the required performance period, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
- satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- necessary organization, experience, and skills or the ability to obtain them;
- necessary equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them; and
- otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

I.2 SEPARATE CHARGES

Separate charges, in any form, are not solicited. For example, any charges for failure to exercise an option are unacceptable.

K. REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS OR QUOTERS

- K.1 52.204-3 TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION (OCT 1998)
- (a) Definitions.

"Common parent", as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the offeror is a member.

"Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)", as used in this provision, means the number required by the IRS to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number.

- (b) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (d) through (f) of this provision in order to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325 (d), reporting requirements of 26 USC 6041, 6041A, and 6050M and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). If the resulting contract is subject to the reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the failure or refusal by the offeror to furnish the information may result in a 31 percent reduction of payments otherwise due under the contract.
- (c) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (3I USC 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(d)	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).
	TIN:
_	TIN has been applied for

- TIN has been applied for.
- TIN is not required because:
- Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have

income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the U.S. and does not

have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the U.S.;

- Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;
- Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.
- (e) Type of Organization.
- Sole Proprietorship;
- Partnership;
- Corporate Entity (not tax exempt);
- Corporate Entity (tax exempt);
- Government Entity (Federal, State or local);

•	Foreign Government; International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4; Other
(f)	Common Parent.
•	Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in
paragi	aph (a) of this
	clause.
•	Name and TIN of common parent:
Name	·
TIN	
(End o	f provision)

- K.2 FAR 52.204-8 ANNUAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS (MAR 2020)
- (a) (1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is 541110, 541990.
- (2) The small business size standard is \$11 million dollars (541110), \$15 million dollars (541990).
- (3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.
- (b) (1) If the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (d) of this provision applies.
- (2) If the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management, is not included in this solicitation, and the Offeror has an active registration in the System for Award Management (SAM), the Offeror may choose to use paragraph (d) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certifications in the solicitation. The Offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:
 - (i) □ Paragraph (d) applies.
- (ii) \Box Paragraph (d) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.

(c)

(1) The following representations or certifications in SAM are applicable to this solicitation as indicated:

- (i) 52.203-2, Certificate of Independent Price Determination. This provision applies to solicitations when a firm-fixed-price contract or fixed-price contract with economic price adjustment is contemplated, unless-
- (A) The acquisition is to be made under the simplified acquisition procedures in part 13;
- (B) The solicitation is a request for technical proposals under two-step sealed bidding procedures; or
- (C) The solicitation is for utility services for which rates are set by law or regulation.
- (ii) 52.203-11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions. This provision applies to solicitations expected to exceed \$150,000.
- (iii) 52.203-18, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities that Require Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements-Representation. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (iv) 52.204-3, Taxpayer Identification. This provision applies to solicitations that do not include the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management.
- (v) 52.204-5, Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business). This provision applies to solicitations that-
 - (A) Are not set aside for small business concerns;
 - (B) Exceed the simplified acquisition threshold; and
- (C) Are for contracts that will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (vi) 52.204-26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (vii) 52.209-2, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations-Representation.
- (viii) 52.209-5, Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters. This provision applies to solicitations where the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

- (ix) 52.209-11, Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (x) 52.214-14, Place of Performance-Sealed Bidding. This provision applies to invitations for bids except those in which the place of performance is specified by the Government.
- (xi) 52.215-6, Place of Performance. This provision applies to solicitations unless the place of performance is specified by the Government.
- (xii) 52.219-1, Small Business Program Representations (Basic, Alternates I, and II). This provision applies to solicitations when the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (A) The basic provision applies when the solicitations are issued by other than DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard.
- (B) The provision with its Alternate I applies to solicitations issued by DoD, NASA, or the Coast Guard.
- (C) The provision with its Alternate II applies to solicitations that will result in a multiple-award contract with more than one NAICS code assigned.
- (xiii) 52.219-2, Equal Low Bids. This provision applies to solicitations when contracting by sealed bidding and the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (xiv) 52.222-22, Previous Contracts and Compliance Reports. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.
- (xv) 52.222-25, Affirmative Action Compliance. This provision applies to solicitations, other than those for construction, when the solicitation includes the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.
- (xvi) 52.222-38, Compliance with Veterans' Employment Reporting Requirements. This provision applies to solicitations when it is anticipated the contract award will exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and the contract is not for acquisition of commercial items.
- (xvii) 52.223-1, Biobased Product Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that require the delivery or specify the use of USDA-designated items;

or include the clause at 52.223-2, Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts.

- (xviii) 52.223-4, Recovered Material Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that are for, or specify the use of, EPA-designated items.
- (xix) 52.223-22, Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals-Representation. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at 52.204-7.)
- (xx) 52.225-2, Buy American Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-1.
- (xxi) 52.225-4, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Basic, Alternates I, II, and III.) This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-3.
- (A) If the acquisition value is less than \$25,000, the basic provision applies.
- (B) If the acquisition value is \$25,000 or more but is less than \$50,000, the provision with its Alternate I applies.
- (C) If the acquisition value is \$50,000 or more but is less than \$83,099, the provision with its Alternate II applies.
- (D) If the acquisition value is \$83,099 or more but is less than \$100,000, the provision with its Alternate III applies.
- (xxii) 52.225-6, Trade Agreements Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-5.
- (xxiii) 52.225-20, Prohibition on Conducting Restricted Business Operations in Sudan-Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (xxiv) 52.225-25, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran-Representation and Certifications. This provision applies to all solicitations.
- (xxv) 52.226-2, Historically Black College or University and Minority Institution Representation. This provision applies to solicitations for research, studies, supplies, or services of the type normally acquired from higher educational institutions.
- (2) The following representations or certifications are applicable as indicated by the Contracting Officer:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]
(i) 52.204-17, Ownership or Control of Offeror.
(ii) 52.204-20, Predecessor of Offeror.
(iii) 52.222-18, Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for
Listed End Products.
(iv) 52.222-48, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract
Labor Standards to
Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-
Certification.
$\underline{\hspace{0.1cm}}$ (v) 52.222-52, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract
Labor Standards to
Contracts for Certain Services-Certification.
(vi) 52.223-9, with its Alternate I, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered
Material Content for
EPA-Designated Products (Alternate I only).
(vii) 52.227-6, Royalty Information.
(A) Basic.
(B) Alternate I.
(viii) 52.227-15, Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted
Computer Software.

(d) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM website accessed through https://www.sam.gov. After reviewing the SAM information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically that apply to this solicitation as indicated in paragraph (c) of this provision have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below [offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date]. These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also

incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

FAR Clause # Title Date Change

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on SAM (End of provision)

K.3 52.204–24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (OCT 2020).

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this

provision if the offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204–26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212–3, Offeror Representations and Certifications–Commercial Items. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" in paragraph (c)(2)

of the provision at 52.204-26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212-3.

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) Prohibition.

- (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—
- (i)Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii)Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—
- (i)Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii)Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (c) Procedures. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".

- (d) Representation. The Offeror represents that—
- (1)It \square will, \square will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and
- (2)After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—

It \square **does**, \square **does** not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

- (e) Disclosures.
- (1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:
 - (i)For covered equipment—
- (A)The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);
- (B)A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C)Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
 - (ii)For covered services—
- (A)If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being

maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

- (B)If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
- (2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:
 - (i)For covered equipment—
- (A)The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);
- (B)A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C)Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(ii)For covered services—

(A)If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B)If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(End of provision)

K.4 52.204-26 Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation (OCT 2020)

- (a) Definitions. As used in this provision, "covered telecommunications equipment or services" and "reasonable inquiry" have the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.
- (b) Procedures. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (c) Representations. (1) The Offeror represents that it [] does, [] does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.
- (2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that it [] does, [] does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of Provision)

EXHIBIT C - FOREIGN AFFAIRS MANUAL - FAM 432.4 PRE-PURCHASE CERTIFICATION

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15 FAM 432.4 Pre-purchase Certification (CT:OBO-36; 10-31-2013)

- a. After OBO for Department of State properties, or, in the case of USAID properties, USAID/W-M/MS/OMD, authorizes the employment of local experts, the local expert in land titles must search the title and formally report in English that the field verification survey and the engineer's or land surveyor's report have been compared with the existing title record. The expert's report must contain the following certifications:
- (1) That the property description in the purchase agreement corresponds exactly with the description in valid deeds and prior land surveys in the offices where conveyances, survey plats, and other instruments that affect title are officially recorded;
- (2) The field verification of the existing title records reveals:
- (a) No discrepancies exist in measurement of boundaries or land areas;
- (b) There are conditions (if these exist) that might adversely affect the U.S. interests (conditions to be listed) that do not appear in the abstract of title; or
- (c) A comparison of the field survey and title search reveals certain exceptions (if these exist) to a clear and unencumbered title that do not appear in the present title record (exceptions to be listed), but that the vendor, at his or her expense, has taken or is taking all steps necessary to clear any noted exceptions, and that the proposed legal instrument of conveyance, as drawn by the local land title expert, will, under local law and custom, serve as a document of correction to the erroneous title record;
- (3) There are no mortgages, liens, charges, incidents of tenure, encroachments, reserved strips of land blocking access to public thoroughfares, street widening or public improvement projects proposed or pending, or any other encumbrances or defects of any kind recognized by the laws of the country as affecting the title; and
- (4) The vendor has a perfect, exclusive, and unencumbered title to the property and full power to convey it to the United States of America.
- b. If the description referred to in subparagraph (a)(1) of this section differs, the post must submit to OBO for Department of State properties, or, in the case of USAID properties, USAID/W-M/MS/OMD, a report that details the variances and the points that correspond. The report should indicate the steps necessary to correct the variances, if such corrections are recommended. If encumbrances or defects exist, the post must report to OBO for Department of State properties, or, in the case of USAID properties, USAID/W-M/MS/OMD, their nature, duration, and any plans to correct them.
- c. Fees for services of local land title experts will be funded by OBO for Department of State properties, or, USAID/W-M/MS/OMD, for USAID properties when notified of the estimated charge.

EXHIBIT D - FOREIGN AFFAIRS MANUAL - FAM 432.5 POST-PURCHASE CERTIFICATION

FOREIGN AFFAIRS MANUAL - FAM 432.5 POST-PURCHASE CERTIFICATION

15 FAM 432.5 Post-purchase Certification (CT:OBO-36; 10-31-2013)

Upon completion of the purchase, the local expert in land titles must certify in writing that:

- (1) The deed is in the form approved and uniformly used in the country:
- (2) The deed has been filed, recorded, and registered in accordance with local law, and the United States of America is now the legal owner of record; and
- (3) All steps necessary to ensure a perfect, unencumbered title on behalf of the United States have been taken. If OBO for Department of State properties, or, in the case of USAID properties, USAID/W-M/MS/OMD, has approved acquisition of an interest in realty with less than a perfect unencumbered title, the post must specify any way in which the title is less than perfect. In such instances, posts should also specify whether or not the imperfections may be remedied and, if so, how.